$$-N \xrightarrow{C - C - R_2} C - R_2$$

with R_1 ' and R_2 ' each independently representing H or a linear or branched C_1 to C_{20} alkyl or alkoxy group; and combinations thereof.

6. (Amended) The composition according to Claim 1, wherein said hydrocarbon-based oil has a chemical structure comprising at least two nonionic polar groups selected from the group consisting of -COOH; -OH; -PO₄; and

$$\begin{array}{c|c} H & R_1' \\ \hline C & CH_2 \\ \hline -N & C \\ C & C-R_2' \\ \hline O & H \end{array}$$

with R_1 ' and R_2 ' each independently representing H or a linear or branched C_1 to C_{20} alkyl or alkoxy group; and combinations thereof.--

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claims 5 and 6 are amended in order to make explicit what is implicit in the chemical formula. More specifically, in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion that nitrogen customarily is drawn with three bonds, Applicants have amended the chemical structure of Claims 5 and 6 in a non-narrowing manner to include a third, open bond to nitrogen which